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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, \$1,400,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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H. HOFFMANN, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq.
A. MEYER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager.
Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq. Manager.
LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, August 16, 1879.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)
RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1862.
CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue Berger, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:
LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO, MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG, LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW, NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.
E. G. VOULLEMONT, Manager, Shanghai.
Hongkong, May 20, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
At 3 months' notice 3 per Annum.
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 12 " " 5 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.
GEO. O. SCOTT, Acting Manager.
Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

Banks.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £300,000.
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON & CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

THE following Rates of Interest are allowed on FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 3 " 2 per cent. " "

H. H. NELSON, Manager.
Hongkong, May 31, 1879.

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Registered in London under the Companies' Act of 1862, on 23rd March, 1863.

Established in Calcutta 29th September, 1863.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £933,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £465,250.
RESERVE FUND, £20,000.

HEAD OFFICE:—39A, FINESTREET, LONDON, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:—
NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND.
NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

All descriptions of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balances; and on FIXED DEPOSITS according to arrangement—the maximum rate being 5 per cent. per annum.

R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.
Hongkong, November 1, 1879.

Entertainment.

HONGKONG TEMPERANCE HALL.

THE NEXT ENTERTAINMENT will be given on

SATURDAY,
THE 17th JAN., 1880, AT 8.30 P.M.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of COLONEL STUART, R.E., LIEUT. COLONEL HALL, R.A., and LIEUT. COLONEL GEDDES, 27th INFANTRY.

AN EVENING IN FAIRYLAND with

"PROFESSOR" HILLO
Who has kindly consented to appear, and will produce some new illusions never before seen in the Colony.

Prices.
Front Seats, One Dollar.
Second do., 50 Cents.
Hongkong, January 12, 1880. ja18

"OUR BOYS"
COMEDY COMPANY,
will arrive per S.S. "Teucer" on or about the

20th JANUARY, 1880.

The Company will have the honour of giving

THREE PERFORMANCES ONLY in Hongkong

prior to proceeding to Singapore. The FIRST PERFORMANCE will be the SPARKLING COMEDY, in Three Acts.

"A LESSON IN LOVE."
GEO. NORVILLE, Business Manager.
Hongkong, January 12, 1880.

NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

FINAL DIVIDENDS for the Year 1879, viz., 16 1/2 per SHARE, 1 1/2 per SHARE, are now Declared.

Warrants will be Payable at the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after FRIDAY, the 16th Instant, until which Date the Transfer BOOKS of the Company are Closed.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. KENNARD DAVIS, Acting Secretary.
Shanghai, 7th January, 1880. ja19

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, in Quarts and Pints.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, May 26, 1879.

FOR SALE.

THEOPHILE ROEDERER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, awarded the

GOLD MEDAL at the PARIS EXHIBITION. DRY VERZENAY MOUSSEUX:

Quarts, \$17 per Case of 1 doz. Pints, \$18 " of 2 doz.

MEYER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, August 21, 1879. 21fe80

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., to sell by Public Auction (unless previously disposed of by Private Contract), on

FRIDAY,

the 16th of January, 1880, at 2 p.m., on Board—The

GERMAN BRIG "CARL," of 225 Registered Tons, as she now lies at anchor off Yow-mah-tee, with all her

MASTS, SAILS, and INVENTORY, complete. For further Particulars, apply to Messrs Arnold, Karberg & Co.; or, to the Auctioneer.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.
F. RAPP, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1879. ja16

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. O. GRABE in our FIRM CANCELED, December, 1879.

Mr. O. GRABE will continue to sign our Firm until 31st May of 1880.

Mr. GUSTAV FISCHER has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this Date.

E. MEYER & Co.
Hienstin, 1st of January, 1880. fe2

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. LEONHARD STAEL in our FIRM CANCELED on the 31st December last.

Mr. F. C. DITTMER is authorized to sign our Firm per Procuration.

HESSE & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1880.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed AGENTS to the NEW YORK BOARD OF UNDERWRITERS.

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

RECORD OF AMERICAN AND FOREIGN SHIPPING.

Agents,
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, Sept. 3, 1879. 3se80

Intimations.

SEALED TENDERS will be Received by the Undersigned until Noon, on MONDAY, the 19th Instant, for the SUPPLY of FIREWOOD, LIME, FIRECLAY, BRICKS, BAMBOO, BASKETS, CHARCOAL (Chinese), to H. M. Naval Yard.

Further Particulars may be obtained on Application.

J. BRENNER, Naval Storekeeper.

H. M.'s Naval Yard, Hongkong, 9th January, 1880. ja19

G. FALCONER & Co.

WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.
46, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 20, 1879. ja20

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS has returned and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS.—No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.
Hongkong, December 8, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned requests that ALL CLAIMS against the late Firm of COHEN & HEATON be sent to him on or before January 28th Inst.

CHARLES C. COHEN.
Hongkong, January 9, 1880. ja80

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-Seventh Ordinary Half-Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 50A, QUEEN'S ROAD, on FRIDAY, the 30th January instant, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of Receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 30th Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 7, 1880. ja30

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

Shanghai, January 3, 1880.

AN ELEVENTH RETURN OF CAPITAL at the Rate of TWO TAELS per SHARE, will be made to Shareholders of Record on 12th January. Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on MONDAY, 19th January.

Warrants will then be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders, or their Attorneys, on presentation of the Share Certificate for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 19th January, inclusive.

By Order,
RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.

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NOTICE.

D. R. EASTLAKE has Returned from MANILA, and will Receive PATIENTS at his Office, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, January 1, 1880. fe2

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR AMOY.
The Steamship "EMERALDA," Captain TALBOT, will be despatched for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 15th Inst., at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 13, 1880. ja15

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO.
The Steamship "HAILONG," Captain GOODE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 17th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, January 13, 1880. ja17

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "VENICE," P. Rhoads, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 17th Inst., at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, January 10, 1880. ja17

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "SUZ," Captain EATON, Commander, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 17th Inst., at 8 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 10, 1880. ja17

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.
The Steamship "NAMO," Captain WESTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 18th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, January 13, 1880. ja18

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Steamship "GLENIFFER," Captain GRAHAM, will be despatched as above on or about the 31st Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, January 10, 1880.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIGO.
The Steamship "GLENLYE," Captain QUARRELL, shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 7, 1880.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship "CLAYHOUSE," Captain BROWN, expected here on or about the 7th Inst. from Singapore, will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1880.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Company's Steamship "TEUCER," Captain R. T. POWELL, will be despatched on or about the 17th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, January 6, 1880.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Company's Steamship "GLAUCUS," Captain T. JAMES, will be despatched on or about the 17th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880.

FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "MENNUIR" will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 24th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, January 3, 1880. ja24

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The A 1 British Ship "MIDDLESEX," WALSH, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 8, 1880.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Bark "ALICE REED," KILLERAN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1880.

FOR HAMBURG.
The A 1 German Schooner "HARMONIE," SHIPROBERT, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1880.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Ship "R. ROBINSON," SMITH, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, January 2, 1880.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The A 1 American Ship "SOUTHERN CROSS," GIBB, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 31, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 German Bark "FREDERICK PERTHES," WALTER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 31, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 American Schooner "MOSES B. TOWER," HALL, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 26, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Ship "JOHN NICHOLSON," CAMPBELL, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 24, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "WINLOW," BARKER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
VOGEL & Co.
Hongkong, December 16, 1879.

FOR NEW YORK.
The A 1 British Bark "GARTMORN," ELLWOOD, Master, will load here and at Whampoa for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 1, 1879.

FOR LONDON.
The A 1 British Bark "CHINAMAN," MACKEN

For Sale.

MacEwen, FRICKEL & Co.,

HAVE JUST LANDED FROM
THE AMERICAN MAIL

THE following STORES, in
Excellent Condition:-

Fresh Roll BUTTER,
Finest Comb HONEY, in Frame.

Do. Do. in Bottles.
Do. Do. in Bottles.

Fresh APPLES,
Dried Sliced Ditto.

Boneless CODFISH,
Georges Bank Do.

Finest Eastern Factory CREAM CHEESE,
Mild California Do.

Smoked SALMON,
Family Meas BEEF, in 25 lbs. kegs.

Oregon Pickled ON TONGUES, very fine.
Family PORK, in 25 lbs. kegs.

American HAMS,
Do. BACON.

CORNMEAL, HOMINY, CRACKED
WHEAT.

OATMEAL, RYE FLOUR, BUCK-
WHEAT FLOUR.

CORN BRUINS, CORN WISPS,
Table FRUITS, Bartlett PEARS, APRICOTS, PEACHES.

Stuffed PEPPERS, ASPARAGUS,
APPLE SAUCE, CRANBERRY SAUCE.

OYSTERS, LOBSTERS, SALMON,
CLAMS.

PEA NUTS, PECAN NUTS, BRAZIL
NUTS.

CREAM OF TARTAR, SALERATUS,
Merrill's Eastern CIDER.

Wisslow's Celebrated GREEN CORN,
LIMA BEANS, SUCCATANI, SUGAR

PEAS.
CALIFORNIA CRACKER Co.'s GINGER
CAKES.

MILK BISCUITS,
ALPHABET BISCUITS.

OYSTER BISCUITS,
WAFER BISCUITS.

SODA BISCUITS.
Ex S.S. "GLENFINLAS" and Late
Arrivals.

SMYRNA FIGS,
Muscatel BLOOM RAISINS.

JORDAN ALMONDS,
Cooking and Table PRUNES.

Pudding RAISINS and CURRANTS,
Candied PEEL.

MINCEMEAT in 1-lb. tins,
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.

CARAWAY SEEDS,
SWITZER'S COCOA TINA.

HAM TONGUE & CHICKEN SAUSAGE,
WESTPHALIAN, BOLOGNA, OXFORD, and
TRAFFALD SAUSAGES.

GAME PIES,
Potted MEATS.

Prime Yorkshire HAMS,
Prime WHISKY BACON in Tins & Cans.

OX-TONGUES in JELLY,
TRUFFLES.

Champagne, &c.
HEIDTZECK & Co.'s MONOPOLE, Pints
and Quarts.

ADOLPHUS COHEN'S BOUZY CABINET,
MUMM'S (JULES) CHAMPAGNE, Pints and
Quarts.

NEVEN'S (BOUZY) BOUZY, Pints and Quarts.
CHARGES HEIDTZECK'S WHITE SEAL,
Pints and Quarts.

VEUVE OLIVIER PONSARDIN, Pints
and Quarts.

THEOPHILE ROSEBERG & Co.'s VERZENAY
MOUSSEUX, Pints and Quarts.

KAY'S CHAMPAGNE, Pints and Quarts.
FERRIER JOUET in Quarts.

Claret.
THIBIEUF (CHATEAU), Pints and Quarts.

CHATEAU LAROSE (CHATEAU & ADER'S),
Pints and Quarts.

CHATEAU LAFITE, Pints and Quarts.
IBES GRAVES, Pints and Quarts.

BREAKFAST CLARET, Pints and Quarts.
OLD INVALID CLARET.

ST. JULIEN, &c., &c.

Burgundy, Hock, Sherries, &c.
Chambertin, Chablis (white), Liebfraumilch,

Hockheimer, Rudesheimer, Steinbrunn,
Cabinet, Rudesheimer Berg, Kollin

Victoria Berg, Chateau
Yquem, Grand Vin, Haut

Sauterne, Marais, Sac
cone's Pale Dry White Seal

Sherry, Yellow Seal Amontillado
Sherry, Cullen Palmer and Company's

Sherry, Invalid Port (1848), Hunt's Port.

Brandy, Whisky, Liqueurs, &c.
1, 2 and 3-star Hennessy's Brandy, La

Grande Marque Brandy, Cullen Palmer
& Co.'s Brandy, 1 to 4 stars;

Finest Old Bourbon Whisky, highly recom-
mended, Kinsman's LL Irish Whisky,

Jamieson's Irish Whisky, Royal
Glendalough Whisky;

AVH Gin, Swaine Wood & Co.'s Old Tom
Gin; La Grande Chartreuse, Green

and Yellow, Maraschino de Zara,
Carapao, Figs & Q's; Ango-

stura, Boker's and Orange
Bitters, &c., &c., &c.

BASS' ALE, bottled by CAMERON & SAUN-
DERS, Pints and Quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J.
BUEKE, Pints and Quarts.

PILSENER BEER, in Quarts.
DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the

Gallon.
SHELTZ MILWAUKEE BEER.

BUDWEISER BEER,
BOCA BEER.

ALBION ALE,
BLATZ MILWAUKEE BEER.

ALE and PORTER, in Bulk, (Hhds. and
Kilderkins).

Ships' STORES of every description,
Hemp and Cotton CANNAS.

Russian, Manila, and Wire ROPE,
SAIL-MAKING and RIGGING promptly

executed.

Specialty Selected CIGARS,
Princesses CHEROOTS.

Cavite CHEROOTS,
Princesses CIGARS.

Cavite CIGARS,
Araceros CIGARS.

Vegueros CIGARS,
Choice No. 1 Fortin CIGARS in Boxes

of 100.
Choice No. 3 Malsig CHEROOTS.

Choice No. 3 Fortin CIGARS.
New Season's PRESENT TEA, in 5 and

10 Catty Boxes,
Hongkong, January 12, 1880.

Intimations.

ORIENTAL HOTEL.

MR. J. F. SHUSTER begs to announce
that he carries on from this date
the above Establishment, as a First-Class
HOTEL. The House is now being thor-
oughly renovated and re-furnished.
Mr. SHUSTER hopes by strict attention
to Business, and by supplying the Best of
Liquors, to merit a share of Public Patron-
age. The house has ample Accommodation
for Boarders, who will meet with every
comfort. The Table will be of the Best
and the Charges strictly Moderate. The
Proprietor will be at all times ready to
supply Pic-nic Parties and to provide
DINNERS for Parties of Six and upwards
on very REASONABLE TERMS.

TWO NEW BOWLING ALLEYS HAVE
BEEN LAID.

English and American
BILLIARD TABLES.

Tiffin at ONE; Dinner at SEVEN.

WINE AND SPIRITS
OF THE BEST QUALITY.

ORIENTAL HOTEL,
J. F. SHUSTER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, November 5, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Business of HEINEMANN & Co.,
SHIP BROKERS, will from the 1st
January, 1880, be carried ON under
the Name of R. STELL.

HEINEMANN & Co.,
Hongkong, December 31, 1879.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCKS.

W. B. SPRATT & Co. have lately
added an Extensive MACHINE

SHIP and other APPLIANCES to the former
Advantages of these Docks.

The DIMENSIONS of the Dock are:-460
Feet, on the Blocks; 92 Feet Wide; Or-
dinary Tides, 21 Ft.; Spring Tides, 24 Ft.

Office, 20, PRATA CENTRAL, HONGKONG.
Hongkong, October 4, 1879.

FROM LONDON.

H. E. S. Killarney having arrived, Con-
signees of Cargo by her are hereby
informed that their Goods are being land-
ed at their risk into the Godowns of the
Undersigned, whence and/or from the
Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
17th Instant will be subject to rent.
Optional Goods will be forwarded on, un-
less notice to the contrary be given by
Noon To-DAY.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Hongkong, January 12, 1880.

Occidental & Oriental S. S.
COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship
GALLIC are hereby notified that
their Goods are being landed and stored at
their risk in the Company's Godowns, at
West Point, whence and/or from Wharves
or Boats delivery may be obtained, on
countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining undelivered after the
20th Instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. B. EMORY,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 9, 1880.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:-

PALMA, German barque, Capt. Binge-
Melchers & Co.

Moses B. TOWER, American barkentine,
Capt. C. Hall.-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MIDDLESEX, British barque, Captain A.
Walsh.-Borneo Company.

GARIBALDI, American barque, Capt. T.
J. Forbes.-Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PRINCE FREDERICK, British ship, Capt.
John Clague.-Vogel & Co.

10-day's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL
SOCIETY

will perform
"THE SORCERER"

AT THE
CITY HALL THEATRE,

ON FRIDAY,
the 23rd January, at 9 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased and places
secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD &
Co.'s, on and after SATURDAY, the 17th
Instant.

Tickets, admission only.....\$2.
Do., admission and Book of
Words (on entering Theatre) \$2.50.

For the Committee,
R. LYALL.

Hongkong, January 14, 1880.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. Glenlyon having arrived from
the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo
by her and by the Glenlyon from New York
are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed at their risk into the Godown
of the Undersigned, whence and/or from
the Wharves or Boats delivery may be
obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before
10 a.m. To-morrow, the 16th Instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the
21st Instant will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, January 14, 1880.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"TIBRE,"

Commandant REYRIEN, will be
despatched for YOKOHAMA
shortly after the arrival of the next French
Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 14, 1880.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship
"SINDH,"

Commandant MONTE, will be
despatched for SHANGHAI
shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 14, 1880.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 13, Mary J. Leslie, British barque,
815, Barking, Nagasaki Jan. 7, Coal-
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Jan. 14, Yangtze, British steamer, 782,
Schultze, Shanghai Jan. 10, General-
STIEMSEN & Co.

Jan. 14, Ningpo, British steamer, from
Canton.

Jan. 14, Glenlyon, British steamer, 1263,
B. Quattri, London Nov. 24, via ports of
Call, and Singapore Jan. 5, General-
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Jan. 14, Frohlich, German brig, 860, H.
Schoer, Chefoo Jan. 6, Beane, -CHINESE-

DEPARTURES.

Jan. 14, Roderick Hay, for Whampoa.
14, Yangtze, for Canton.

14, China, for Yokohama.

CLEARED.

Cheong Hock Kian, for Swatow.
Hindoo, for Manila.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Yangtze, from Shanghai, Capt.
and Mrs. Ackford, and 23 Chinese.

Per Glenlyon, from Straits, 37 Chinese.

Per Frohlich, from Chefoo, 4 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Thurber, for Cebu, Rev. Mr. and Mrs.
G. Mackay, for Suez, Mr. Collet, for
Venice, Capt. Theodor, and Mr. A. Rowe,
from Yokohama; for Venice, Mr. J. Mc-
Ritchie, from Shanghai; for Bombay,
Messrs F. Bonaparte, and L. Moses, and 2
servants; for Venice, Messrs F. Skely, C.
S. Sharp, A. Case, and C. Deering.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British barque Mary J. Leslie re-
ports: Rough stormy weather two lights
hove to at North entrance off Formosa
owing to thick weather. Anchored a mid-
night.

The British steamer Yangtze reports:
Left Shanghai on the 10th inst., bad North
and N.E. winds with dark cloudy weather
and rain throughout the passage. Arrived
Hongkong at 7 a.m. on the 14th inst.

The British steamer Glenlyon reports:
Experienced a hurricane in Bay of Incey
from N.E. to E. with frightfully confused
sea. Light variable winds to Port Said.
Moderate monsoon to Singapore. Strong
monsoon from Singapore to Pulo Spatu.
Moderate with high swell to Pulo.
Brisk gale with high sea to Gap Road.

CARGOES.

Per Kaiser-i-Hind, for London, 4,241
boxes, 1,249 half-chests, and 67 chests Tea,
273 bales Silk, 153 bales Waste S, 128
bales Punjoni Silk, 48 cases Sil Piece
Goods, and 1,589 pkgs. Sundries; for
Continent, 437 bales Silk, 13 cases Silk
Piece Goods, and 67 pkgs. Sundries.

Per str. Crusader, sailed for Australia on
the 8th January:-For Port Daru, 101
boxes Wine, 5 pkgs. Sundries, 1,0 bags
Rice, 31 boxes China Oil, 19 bags Sugar,
454 pkgs. Merchandise, 2 chests Pured
Opium, and 88 bags Flour; for Cebu, 36
boxes Wine, 1,362 bags Rice, 10 pkgs.
Sundries, 20 pkgs. Tea, 6 pkgs. Pured
Opium, &c., 89 boxes Prepared Opim, 7
boxes Tobacco, 143 pkgs. Merchandise, 11
pkgs. Clothing, and 6 pkgs. Rati and
Bamboo-ware; for Brisbane, 580 bales
1 box Silk, and 6 pkgs. Merchandise; for
Sydney, 4,600 bags Rice, 17 pkgs. Sun-
dries, 250 boxes China Oil, 2 boxes Silk,
459 pkgs. Tea, 50 boxes Prepared Opium,
161 pkgs. Merchandise, and 25 pkgs. Pre-
pared Fruits, &c.; for Melbourne, pkgs.
Fire-crackers, 181 pkgs. Tea, 322 bales
615 bags Sugar, 1 pkgs. Merchandise, 15
boxes Curios, 9 boxes Sundries, 52
boxes Prepared Opium; for Adelaide, 100
boxes Preserved Ginger and Fruit and 2
boxes Curios; for Hobart Town, 1 Silk
Piece Goods; for Auckland, N.Z. box
Straw Brads; for Danedin, N.Z. pkgs.
Merchandise-grand total 11,275 pkgs.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-

For JAPAN via KOBE.
Per Sumida Maru, at 5 p.m., on Friday,
the 23rd inst., instead of as previous-
ly notified.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.-

The British Contract Packet Kaiser-i-Hind
will be despatched on WEDNESDAY,
the 14th Instant, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe via Brindisi or Southampton;
to the Straits Settlements, Batavia,
Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt,
Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.-This Packet carries no mails for the
Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

MAIL BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet Gaelic, will
be despatched on SATURDAY, the
17th inst., with Mails for Japan, San
Francisco, the United States, Canada,
Honolulu, Peru, &c. which will be
closed as follows:-

2.15 P.M. Registry closes.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters
(except for Non-Union Countries) may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(except the Bahamas and Hayti),
Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay
cannot be sent by this route.

Hongkong, Jan. 13, 1880.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.-

The French Contract Packet Peiho will
be despatched on WEDNESDAY,
the 21st Instant, with Mails to and
through the United Kingdom and
Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits
Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,
India (via Madras), Australia, New
Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Sey-
chelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suez,
and Alexandria. This is the best
opportunity for forwarding Corre-
spondence to E. Africa, the Cape,
St. Helena, and Ascension.

The usual hours will be observed in closing
the Mails, &c.

HOURS FOR CLOSING

THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing
Mails, &c., by both the British and
French Contract Packets:-

Day of Departure,-

5 P.M.-Money Order Office closes.

5.30 P.M.-Post Office closes till 8 P.M.,
except the NIGHT BOX, which is
always open out of Office hours.

8 P.M.-Post Office opens.

9 P.M.-Registry of Letters ceases.
Posting of all printed matter

10 P.M.-Mails closed, except for Late
Letters.

10.10 P.M.-Letters may be posted with
Late Fee of 18 cents until

10.30 P.M.-when the Post Office closes
entirely.

10.40 P.M.-Late Letters may be posted
on board the packet with Late
Fee of 18 cents until time of
departure.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest
London and Colonial Papers, &c.:-

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

Left. Name. From.

May, 5, Alexander, Penarth

31, Newcastle, Antwerp

June, 27, Pym, Antwerp

July, 19, Comus, Glasgow

24, Primrose, Penarth

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law, must be set against the still greater disadvantage likely to result on the trade of the port by such a proceeding. If this question—by far the most important one raised by the *Anadyr* case—has not been referred home, it ought to be at once taken up by the Chamber of Commerce in the general interests of the Colony.

CHINESE NOTES.

It appears from the Commentary of the earlier part of the *Li Ki* that there were 25 families to a 閭; four 閭 to a 族; 500 families to a 党; 2500 families to a 州; and 12,500 families to a 鄉. It would thus appear that a *hian* contained five *chou*; a *chou* five *tan*; a *tan* five *tsu*; a *tsu* four *li*; and a *li* 25 families. The term 爲人子, so frequently used in modern colloquial Chinese, is explained by the Book of Rites to mean "sons whose parents are still alive."

Frequent mention is made in the *Shi King* of war chariots, and we have already explained in a previous note how some of these would compare with certain of the Russian carriages at present in use. The Book of Rites states that the chariot drawn by four horses, in which the operator stood up, was called a 立乘; and the car drawn by one horse, and used by females, was called a 安車.

The live cock carried about in Chinese funeral and marriage processions is said to "drive away evil influences." [避邪]. The same bird is employed by the Hakkas as an oracle in the event of the persons interested engaging in some war or feud: in this case the cock is placed under a coop in the ancestral hall, "the cock is covered at the altar," [雄雞掩覆], and his crowing is considered a good omen; if he does not crow, the rallying party will be defeated. The wooden cock placed on the ridges of houses—possibly the progenitor of our "weather cock"—is supposed by some to drive away the white ants.

Opium dress is called in Canton 二烟 or "second opium." It is also known as 烟屎 or "opium feces."

On the 12th of December the Salt Commissioner at Canton issued a proclamation, informing the people that the Board of Rites had notified him, through the Treasurer, that, on the 29th of December, there would be an eclipse of the waning moon, [望月食], which, at Canton, would be of 1 minute 35 seconds [一分三十五秒] extent. The first impact, [初虧], was to take place on the night of the 28th of December at 14 minutes past 11, [子初初刻十四分]; the maximum obscuration, [食甚], on the 29th December at 2 minutes past 12 [子正初刻二分]; and the complete renovation, [復圓], at 35 minutes past 12, [子正三刻五分]. The above details are interesting as showing the Chinese terms for different phases of an eclipse; as illustrating also the division of time; and as settling the question that, at least for astronomical purposes, the day begins after midnight. The waxing moon eclipse would be called the 朔月食.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next *FRANCIS MAIL* may be expected to arrive here on or about Wednesday next, the 21st inst., by the M. S. steamer *Singha*, which left Singapore today (14) at day-light. She brings London dates up to Dec. 12.

We are informed by the Agent of the E. E. A. and China Telegraph Company that the French mail steamer left Singapore at daylight this morning, Wednesday. She may therefore be looked for here on or about Wednesday next, the 21st inst. She brings London dates to the 12th December.

H.M.S. *Iron Duke* will be undocked on Saturday next, the few repairs for which she went to Aberdeen having been completed. The only thing required now is that the fresh composition put on the ship's bottom may have time to dry, which will probably be in three days.

H.M.S. *Vigilant*, 2. Lieut. Commander Aunsley, R.N., with H. E. Vice Admiral Cote, C.B., on board, will proceed to Singapore at noon to-morrow. After visiting and inspecting the ships in the Straits the Admiral will probably return to Hongkong in about a couple of months' time.

We are sorry to learn that the third day's racing at Amoy was attended with a rather serious mishap. During the race for the Champion Stakes, Mr. H. E. Hobson, Commissioner of Customs, was thrown from his pony—the animal having stumbled—and had his thigh dislocated. Every care was bestowed upon the disabled "jockey," and it is satisfactory to learn that he was progressing favourably according to last advices.

We are glad to note that the Masonic Ball promises to be one of the largest assemblies

of the kind ever given in Hongkong. Both St. George's Hall and St. Andrew's Hall will be thrown open for the dancers, and supper will be served in the Theatre. It is expected that over eight hundred will be present on the occasion. The Ball Committee desire us to express a hope that as many Master Masons as can find it convenient will assemble at the City Hall a few minutes before half-past nine to-morrow evening.

"An evening in Fairyland with 'Professor' Lillo" is the title of the entertainment in the Temperance Hall on Saturday evening next, when the performance will be under the distinguished patronage of Colonel Stuart, R.E., Lieut. Colonel Hall, R.A., and Lieut. Colonel Geddes, 27th Inniskillings. The following is the programme:

1. The Handkerchief on the wing.
2. The Enchanted Chest of Drawers.
3. The Baked Handkerchief.
4. Horticulture extraordinary.
5. Instantaneous Growth of Flowers.
6. The Mystic Rod and Ball.
7. Flora's Enchanted Casket.

AN INTERVAL OF TEN MINUTES.

1. The Evanescent Bird Cage.
2. St. Vitus' Coin.
3. The Magician's Telephone.
4. An extraordinary Discovery.
5. The Mysterious Transportation of a Watch.
6. The Disappearing Cash Box.
7. The Spiritualistic Bell.

Under the plain cognomen of Mr. Brown (Mr. A. H. Brown), a well-known gentleman of Hongkong, occupying a responsible position under government, has departed this week by the *Anchovy*, without saying a word to his creditors about his intention beforehand, or explaining when his return or any remittance in respect of numerous bills due might be looked for. Acts of this kind are of sufficiently dastardly a nature to merit the severest condemnation. Every such man should be gratuitously advertised, and we therefore give the name as we shall do in all cases of the kind that are brought to our notice. The emigrant is the fifth master of the Government Central School, T. A. R. Murray.

The man E. G. Dessa, or Dessier, who shot at Lord Lytton's carriage, seems to be a lunatic. He knows nothing about whether he did fire the pistol or not; but says that if he did it must have been as a salute. When committed, that the state of his mind might be ascertained, he said he presumed he might go home now, he would prefer it; everybody knew where his house was. His defence to the charge is that he is the author of a book of arithmetic, the proofs of which work have not yet been corrected. He has been hanging about the Government offices, muttering to himself and talking incoherently about these proofs for some time back. In June 1878, a person described as G. W. Desser, and suspected of being a lunatic, was sent to the Magistrate's lock-up at Allahabad, to be kept under medical observation. As the man was insane, he was shortly afterwards sent to the Benares Lunatic Asylum. After some time he was discharged from that institution, and it is said that he went from Benares to Calcutta. This incident of the shooting will probably lead to lunatics being better looked after in India, which was much needed. The British India League and the domiciled Eurasians have written congratulatory letters to the Viceroy. The latter body disclaim the man as one of their race; and say he is a Portuguese. The affair has sent a thrill of horror through India, but there is not the faintest idea that there is political import attachable to it. Lord Lytton never knew of any shooting having taken place till the party got home. The bullet passed over the heads of Sir George Colley, K.C.S.I., P.S. to the Viceroy, who was in the second carriage. There was an "At Home" that night at Government House, but the matter was not talked of, and few knew anything about it till they saw the paper in next morning's paper.

The right of Parsees to appear in Court with both head and feet covered has been creating quite an excitement in Ceylon. Some misunderstanding arose in Court one day on the point, and the editor of the evening paper, in commenting on the incident, said that if Parsees could not from their religious principles render respect to the Court by uncovering their head, they assuredly should be compelled to take their shoes off. He also said that the appearance of a Parsee with his feet encased in boots would not for a moment be allowed in any Court in India; than which remark, we may add, nothing could be more nonsensical or further from the truth. Mr. Hormusjee, the oldest Parsee in Ceylon (he has been 40 years in the island), says it is the first time he ever heard the question raised. He also writes:—

To uncover the head or feet would be for Parsees to neglect the precepts of his religion. So strict is this rule that when a Parsee removes his cap during ablution he is not allowed to speak in the ordinary way, but when it is necessary to say anything he must do so with his lips closed. You are wrong in asserting that Parsees, in wearing boots and shoes of the fashion now in use

among European nations, do so in imitation of European. Evidence exists that their progenitors wore boots ages before Britons had discarded the skins in which they wrapped themselves or the paint with which they smeared their bodies. Sculptures found in caves in Persia and in the ruins of ancient Persopolis abound in figures of kings and heroes in boots and shoes, and prophet Zoroaster is depicted in a costume of much elegance with boots and trousers and even with straps to the latter!

The following résumé of the import and export of gold and silver at Manila during the year 1879, is from *El Comercio*:—

Imported.—Gold: Spanish coins, \$50,000; Silver: Spanish coins, \$3,773,545.50; Foreign coins, \$880; bullion, \$128,818. Exported.—Gold: Spanish coins, \$2,081,621; bullion, \$18,048; dust, &c., \$15,350. Silver: Spanish coins, \$3,381; Foreign coins, \$15,673.

Total import in gold: \$50,000; in silver: \$3,908,208.50.

Total export in gold: \$2,985,019; in silver: \$19,064.

Difference.—Gold: That of the exportation over the importation is \$2,935,019; Silver: That of importation over the exportation is \$3,884,154.50; that of the total value (gold and silver together) is: import over the export, \$949,135.50.

The Hawaiian *Advertiser* says: "The barque *Kakakua*, which has just arrived from San Francisco, brought with other cargo a lot of pine wood. An inquisitive customs officer discovered that some of this wood had been split, then glued and nailed together again, and pursuing his investigation discovered (on taking the nailed pieces apart) a niche had been cut out of the center large enough to contain a four-pound can of opium, which laid snugly within. Only four tins have been discovered so far, but the returns are not all in."

A NEW INDUSTRY has sprung up in the Settlement, says the *Shanghai Mercury*, namely the refining of Kerosene Oil. Samples of the Oil can be purchased at a shop in the Honan Road. The oil may be seen burning in a lamp of Chinese construction without a wick being used.

THE *Bombay Gazette* changed hands on the 1st inst. It has been sold by Mr. James M. Maclean, who has conducted it with eminent ability for many years, to Mr. G. Geary, late Editor of the *Times of India*. Mr. Maclean will return home in the *Spring*, and will, it is supposed, re-connect himself with the London Press, and seek a seat in Parliament. Speaking of him at the St. Andrew's dinner at Bombay, on the 29th ultimo, his successor remarked:—"I know of none on the Indian Press who is his superior as a writer: I know of none his equal." Mr. Robert Knight once declared of Mr. Maclean:—"He is facile princeps, the most graceful and effective writer on the Indian Press." Mr. Maclean is a hard hitter, and prides himself on his pen, and has often smarted under his blows, in praise indeed. Mr. M'Lean is, we may add, as good a speaker as he is a writer.

THE importance of Suez to British interests, says Consul West, in his Report for the past year, must be permanent, and will in all probability be increasing. Suez is the link that holds the independence of our communications with the Far East: it is even doubtful if the route by the Euphrates Valley were rendered available whether "via Suez" would not still be the quickest, as it certainly would be the safest, route to Bombay. It can be said with little fear of contradiction, that, at present the canal route cannot compete with the overland route from Suez to Alexandria, for the conveyance of despatches; and until such is the case, or until some other route is opened, Suez might, in Consul West's opinion, be as much in our possession or under our control as Port Said now is under that of the French, which no one with the slightest knowledge of the two places could hold it to be. At Suez we are in the Ottoman dominions, under the rule of the Khedive; at Port Said we are in the French dominions, under the rule of the Viceroy's dominions, under the rule of the French. Yet Suez is a far more interesting point to us nationally than Port Said is to our neighbours, and the facilities already provided at Suez by the Egyptian Government at such a heavy outlay although of but little or no use to the local government, and of no use whatever to the native population, are of a nature to render Suez doubly important to us in connection with our communications with India. Consul West has little doubt, were Egypt in our hands, that a very short time would suffice, when the harbour works at Alexandria are completed, to see a railroad traffic in fair competition for certain goods with the canal.

JUDICIOUS ADVERTISING.

A man was denouncing newspaper advertising to a crowd of listeners. "Last week," said he, "I had an umbrella stolen from the vestibule of the church. It was a gift; and, valuing it very highly, I spent double its worth in advertising, but have not recovered it." "How did you word your advertisement?" asked a merchant. "Here it is," said the man, producing a slip cut from a newspaper. The merchant took it and read, "Lost from the vestibule of the church last Sabbath evening a black silk umbrella. The gentleman who took it will be handsomely rewarded by leaving it at No. — San Fernando-street." "Now," said the merchant, "I am a liberal advertiser, and have always found that the manner in which an advertisement is put. Let us try for your umbrella again, and if you do not acknowledge them then that advertising pays, I will purchase you a new one." The merchant then took a slip of paper from his pocket and wrote, "If of paper from the vestibule of the church last evening does not wish to get into trouble and have a stain cast upon the Christian character which he values so highly, he will return it to No. — San Fernando-street. He is well known." This duly appeared in the paper, and on the following morning the man was astonished when he opened the front door of his residence. On the porch lay at least a dozen umbrellas of all shades and sizes that had been thrown in from the side-walk, while the front yard was literally paved with umbrellas. Many of them had notes attached to them saying that they had been taken by mistake, and begging the loan to keep the little affair

Police Intelligence.

(Before J. V. Creagh, Esq.)

Wednesday, Jan. 13.

SANDERS ASHORE.

William Glandorff, a seaman on board the British barque *Elizabeth Childs*, was charged with being drunk and disorderly in the public streets yesterday afternoon. Chit Apik, a sailor living on the ground floor of 262 Queen's Road Central, deposed that yesterday afternoon defendant came to his shop and purchased clothes to the value of \$5 for which he paid, and left. About half an hour afterwards he returned drunk and wasted 2lbs of tobacco for which witness asked 75 cents. Defendant assaulted him by striking him on the head and running after him into the cook room, where he broke some crockery valued at 30 cents. Witness then called a constable and had the defendant arrested.

Kushal Singh, the constable who made the arrest, proved that the prisoner was drunk and violent all the way to the station.

Defendant denied striking any one, but admitted being drunk.

His Worship ordered the prisoner to pay a fine of \$2, and to pay \$1.30 amends to complainant, in default to suffer seven days' imprisonment with hard labor.

Charles Burns Williams, also of the *Elizabeth Childs*, pleaded guilty to being drunk and lawless in the Central Market yesterday afternoon and was sentenced to pay a fine of 50 cents.

George Forman, an engineer on board the S. S. *Pahin*, pleaded guilty to being drunk and mixing to pay chair hire yesterday.

Defendant was fined 50 cents and ordered to pay 50 cents chair hire, in default three days' imprisonment.

BREACH OF THE OPIUM ORDINANCE.

U Akam, 1800k, was charged with being in possession of a quantity of prepared opium without a permit from the Opium Farmer on the 13th inst.

P. C. 63, Campbell, boarded the S. S. *Kiu-Kiang* yesterday afternoon. When defendant was the constable he threw down a basket and carrying pole and snatched at his breast in a suspicious manner. On being arrested prisoner was found to have in his possession a small quantity of prepared and raw opium.

Witness said he would prosecute an ordinary passenger for having such a small quantity, but in this case the prisoner is a boarding-house servant, and it was known that they smuggled opium for their guests.

Defendant said he found the opium on the deck of the steamer.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$20, in default fourteen days' imprisonment.

(Before the Hon. C. B. Plunket.)

BREACH OF THE OPIUM ORDINANCE.

Li Awing, a shopman, was charged on remand with boiling and preparing opium without a license from the Opium Farmer.

Mr. Hugh McCallum, the Government Analyst, gave evidence of having analyzed a quantity of opium received from the Police authorities, contained in a bottle and two boxes. That in the bottle turned out to contain very small portion of maconic acid and morphia, and he inferred from analysis that it was a solution equal to one centesimal of average opium. The two samples did not contain either maconic acid nor morphia, and he considered this to be a gross fraud.

Witness thinks there is no acetum in the samples submitted.

There is a trace of oil in the samples produced. After the maconic acid and morphia have been exhausted from opium, the witness believes there is still a sedative quality left in it.

His Worship remanded the case for another week the defendant to be admitted to bail as before in \$250.

Chan Chong appeared on remand with committing a breach of the Opium Ordinance in having boiled opium in a house in the Queen's Road without a license from the Opium Farmer.

Mr. Shupp, Crown Solicitor, appeared to prosecute behalf of the Opium Farmer, and Mr. Wotton on behalf of the prisoner.

Mr. Antonio dos Santos, an excise officer, said he went to 268 Queen's Road West, in company with P. C. Thomas Campbell to execute a warrant. On entering the room the defendant and another, a younger man, rose up from a bed, on which they were sitting. The prisoner said he was not the master of the house but he was in charge during the absence of the master in the country. He gave several names both at the house and again in the Charge Room, the last being Chan Chong. On being told that he would be arrested and the opium seized, defendant said the opium did not belong to him and that he was willing to go to the station. Witness knew nothing personally about the prisoner.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wotton:—Witness declined to say what his salary is as an excise officer.

Mr. Shupp supported him in objecting to say what salary he received, and requested his objection might be noted.

Mr. Wotton explained that he had not asked the question through any idle motive, but in the exercise of his duty to his client.

His Worship could see no reason for the witness refusing to answer the question, and directed that Mr. Santos give the required information.

Witness now said he got \$40 a month. He received nothing for procuring a conviction and had no interest or share in the opium forfeited. He might have known that the name of the man to be arrested was Chan Chong when the warrant was made out, but he could not remember.

Defendant said the opium was the property of his master. The defendant did not give the name of his master.

He might have given the names of Low Tong and Kwong Kung Tuen as his own name when at the house, but witness did not remember. Defendant offered no objection to the search. He gave up his keys for his house to be examined except with regard to one in which raw opium was found.

Mr. Mun Kwang, the head manager of the Opium Farm, said the defendant did not hold a license for boiling or preparing opium. Witness had considerable experience both in raw and in prepared opium. The jar marked A in court contains opium in its first stage of preparation. In that state it could not be smoked, it is only moistened by water. The next stage would be to slightly char it over

a fire. It is then again mixed with water and boiled. The three jars shown contain about 25 balls of the drug. The husk found in the bag produced represent from ten to fifteen balls of opium. The opium in the third jar must have been boiled over a month ago. It takes from fifteen to twenty days for the froth from boiling to subside. If the informant spoke truth in his sworn information upon which the warrant was granted, none of the opium in Court could have been what he saw in process of boiling. The value of the opium here would be about \$300.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wotton:—Nai Chau is the refuse of opium after all its properties have been extracted, and is generally considered the prerequisite of the head boiler. If Nai Chau could be smoked it would not have the same effects as opium. It is used to adulterate good opium.

There was no further evidence for the prosecution, and Mr. Wotton asked for a remand to enable him to produce further evidence, some of a scientific nature, as to what constituted prepared opium. The charge of boiling the opium he contended had fallen to the ground, as the Opium Farmer had pronounced that in Court to have been boiled over a month ago.

Mr. Sharp pressed for a conviction and objected strongly to a further remand, as he would probably leave the Colony on Saturday.

His Worship said that there were points of an important nature in the case he would like to consider, as the case was a serious one, and if a conviction were granted a heavy punishment would probably follow. He therefore adjourned the further hearing for a week.

Japan.

YOKOHAMA.

(Herald, Jan. 2nd.)

Nothing fresh has transpired respecting the Lewchow question, but the native papers report that one of the high officials will shortly be appointed Ambassador to China to discuss the question. Meanwhile the native journals continue to discuss in all its bearings the treaty between Russia and China, and its supposed influence on Eastern affairs, and with a view, apparently, of being prepared for all eventualities the Minister of War has applied for permission to purchase lands for the erection of forts, &c., for the protection of the arsenal of Yokosuka, near this port.

The damage by the late fire at Hakodate is estimated to reach three millions of yen. Twenty thousand persons have been rendered homeless. The loss of life has also been great; 28 persons are supposed to have perished in the flames, and 20 persons were drowned in trying to make their escape by sea from the burning place.

We regret to say that Mr. Conil, in reply to his telegram requesting permission for the steamer of the M. M. Co. to leave on the Sunday morning, has received an unfavorable answer. He has been informed that the French Postal authorities are opposed to any deviation from the dates fixed, and that the steamers must leave on the Monday morning. We suppose therefore that our residents will have, at any rate for the present, to put up with the inconvenience and extra work caused by the change.

The Government has issued a notice which will, to some extent, check the gambling in *saisu* which has lately been prevalent.

The native papers state that a Naval Review will shortly be held here, in honor of H. R. H. the Duke of Genoa.

A couple of years ago, a Chinaman of Kobe, bearing a rumor that *Ten no sen* and *Bun-ku sen* were likely to become dear, bought a large quantity and sent them to China. Prices however, have undergone no change, and the long-tailed merchant has got tired of his speculation, and has brought the coin back to Japan.

The other day, he made application at the branch office of the Okura-sho in Osaka to have exchanged 5,000 *ken-mon* of *Ten no sen* and 3,000 *ken-mon* of *Bun-ku sen*.

We are informed that an attempt will soon be made to float off the Russian steamer *Nordenskiöld*, which was wrecked on the 6th of last August off Nemuro, in Yesso. The last account of the vessel states that she is lying on a bank of hard sand, and has about four inches of water over the cabin floor, but it is believed that the endeavors to get her afloat will prove arduous in the extreme. Mr. Jan de Boer, of the Yokohama Salvage and Divers Company, is at present organizing the party who will undertake the work; and it is intended to use the schooner *Uto* to carry the men and gear to the scene of the wreck, and to stay by the steamer while the work goes on.

THE ALLEGED WAR LOAN RAISED BY CHINA.

(Japan Gazette.)

The *Mainichi Shinbun* gives currency to a rumor from China, which has a limited foundation. It says that the Chinese government have made a war loan for eighty millions of taels, that the sum has been fully subscribed, and that the proceeds will be applied to provide for the impending war with Japan. We can however say that no such loan has been asked for, and no loan in any case will be made, for a long time yet at least. If the heads of the provincial governments of China, now under summons to Peking, agree to the propositions that will be made, no doubt one of the first steps will be to fix the contributions to be paid by each province to a centralized or Imperial fund for military and naval purposes. Whether under the pressure of recent events, the propositions which emanate from Tso and Li will be carried out is an uncertain matter, as a centralized direction of the army of China will seriously interfere not only with the privileges and profits of the provincial officials, but will also cut away the virtual independence of action they have enjoyed and abused for many decades. The proposal for central control and withdrawal of provincial authority will be hotly opposed. If the Imperial desires are carried out, the acquiescence of the great provincial authorities will be only nominal, and the open opposition to reform will be so strenuous and unceasing, that any projects for change are likely to be so much compromised, hindered that the end will be a compromise. The powers of China, tho' without limit, are latent, abuses of usurped authority have become prescriptive, so that while all men are agreed as to what should be done, and what must be done in emergency, if the nation is to be kept inviolate, yet

vested interests are so strong that nothing but a violent revolution will avail to overthrow them. The council may not even meet. If it does meet it will be a proof that at the moment the Imperial government has the ascendancy, but the difficulties in the way of reform in China are immense. Before a war fund is raised to threaten Japan, a long time must elapse, the difficulties in the way are almost insuperable, and nearly all the Chinese officials will set their faces against reforms which will kill illicit gains. In any case the danger to Japan is remote, and may be ended at any moment by an amicable and honorable acceptance by either side of an international arbitrage, which would quickly and finally remove all reason for dormant or active hostility.

RUSSIA AND CHINA.

In view of the coming conflict between China and Japan, the Russian government, it is said, decided to raise a force to a war footing the troops in the Pacific region of Siberia. A strong force of Cossacks that was disbanded after the signature of the Treaty of Berlin has been directed to reassemble at Vladivostok, and it has been agreed by the Imperial Ministers to postpone for the present the removal of the naval station in the Pacific from Vladivostok to Port St. Olga.

Three men-of-war have left Cronstadt to reinforce the Russian fleet in the Pacific. One is an ocean cruiser, the *Asia*, purchased in America last year, and the two others are the newly built clipper, *Naxos*, and *Rakobink*. The proceeds of Vladivostok under orders to proceed to Vladivostok from the Mediterranean, but it is probable that during the disturbed state of Egypt and Turkey it will be retained at Alexandria to represent Russian interests.

The Japanese have completed their coast defences, and are only awaiting the construction of their fleet of gunboats before bringing matters with the Chinese to a crisis. Colonel Munier and Captain Chalaret, of the French Mission at Tokio, have expressed their opinion on all that could be desired, and that the Chinese would be unable to penetrate either the Simoesaki Channel or the Yodo Bay. The Mikado is displaying the greatest energy in perfecting his military forces, and has just concluded a contract with an English firm for the supply of 10,000 Martini-Henry breech-loaders.—*Examiner*.

Dead Letters.

Azevedo, J. R. de, Hongkong,..... 1
Batten, G., Kensington on London, (s.), 1
Belzukevich, M. d. de, St. Petersburg, (Rybakov),..... 1
Browne, Mrs. J., Cambridge Street, Collingwood, near Melbourne,..... 1
Burdon, Rt. Revd. J. S., Hongkong, (Refused),..... 1
Clarke, Mrs. J. W., Mill Hill Road, Norwich,..... (s.), 1
Colby, Mrs., Hongkong,..... 1
Coleman, Miss A., 5, King Street, Poplar, London,..... (s.), 1
Galleto, M., 6, boulevard d'Anatoly, Hongkong,..... 1
Goodwin, Mrs. T. H., Hartford, Conn., U.S.A.,..... 1
Gordon, A., Emerald Hill, Singapore, (s.), 1
Karas, Mrs. M., 62, Wilton Street, Chicago, U.S.A.,..... 1
Lancelot, Mrs., Wai Nam Lodge, Fuhlan, London,..... (s.), 1
Maga, B. J., 190, Old Lodge Road, Belfast,..... 1
Marques de Carvalho, Jo. de, Rio de Janeiro,..... 1
Married, payed, care of Surveyor General, Hongkong,..... (s.), 1
Molter, R. V., Passenger per S. S. *Zehnle*, Singapore,..... 1
William, Mrs., 17, Canton Street, Canning Town, sec. 2,..... 1
Moore, G., Horse and Jockey Hotel, Melbourne,..... 1
Morgan & Co., New York City,..... 1
Murphy, Miss E. J., Taylor Station, Iowa, U.S.A.,..... 1
Ott, Revd. R., Hongkong, (Refused),..... 1
Phillips, Mrs. H., Kensington, Liverpool,..... 1
Roberts, Miss L., B. x 791, Post Office, San Francisco, (Refused),..... 1
Travis, Miss L., No. 15, St. Lane, New York City,..... 1
Vanderberg, Louis, Meester Cornelis, Indes Hollandaises,..... (s.), 1
Vera, Francis, Plokt, Posen,..... 1
Watson, Corporal J., 27th Depot, Colchester,..... 1
Yans, H., South Bridge, Boarding House, Singapore,..... (s.), 1

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Quotations.

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OPIUM.—New Patna, cash, \$580
" Old " cash, 545
" New Benares, cash, 552 1/2
" Old " cash, 553
" New Malwa, credit, 710
" Allowance Teals, —
" Old Malwa, credit, 770
" Allowance Teals, —

Exchange.

Bank, Wire, ... 3/9
" Demand, ... 3/4
" 30 days sight, ... 3/10
" 4 months sight, ... 3/10 1/2
Credits, 4 " ... 3/10 1/2
Documentary, 4 months sight, 3/10 1/2
India, Wire, ... 22 1/2
" demand, ... 22 1/2
Shanghai, demand, ... 74 1/2
" 80 days sight, ... 74 1/2
Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine ... 27.90
Sovereigns, ... 5.23

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Fulmer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, January 14.

BAROMETER—9 A.M. ... 30.284
Do. 1 P.M. ... 30.210
Do. 4 P.M. ... 30.208
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. ... 58
Do. 1 P.M. ... 59
Do. 4 P.M. ... 61
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Do. Minimum over night ... 55

